

No. 407744. SAMPSON, D.W.

MINUTE SHEET

Reference 108/1/2323

8/10/41.

1.
Mrs. C.S. Sayer, 16 Hewitt Ave., Rose Park, S.A.,
informed that the present address of abovenamed P/O. is
C/- Air Ministry, London.

10.4.43

Prob. appl. confirmed &
Promoted to WO wef 1.9.42
Gaz 325 17.12.42.

23.11.43

Previous notification appearing
in Gaz. 325 is cancelled. Gaz. 184/43

10.12.43

Prob. appl. confirm. & prom.
to WO wef 1-3-42 Gaz. 184/43

Prom. 2/Lt. w.r.e.f. 1.9.43. Gaz. 29. 10/2/44.

Awarded the D.F.C. wef 17.10.44
Gaz 211 26.10.44

Office

LINK TRAINER (L.F.) T. P. AUSTRALIA
 Time in A.T.S. _____ Hrs.
 Total (All Units) _____ Hrs.

Remarks on ability and standard reached in Link Trainer

AIR ARMAMENT TRAINING.

Group	Bombing	No. of Bombs Used	Group	Gunnery	No. of Rounds Fired
1	High Dive		1	Air to Ground	
1	Low Level		1	Air to Air	
2	High Level		1	Air to Ground	
2	Low Level		1	Air to Air	

Ground Training, including remarks on standard attained

Flying Ability, including remarks on special qualities or weaknesses

FLYING TIMES—Enter on page 2.
 General Remarks, including remarks on qualities as an Officer/N.C.O.

Authority to wear Flying Badge was granted *w.a.f.*
 Certified that this pupil has qualified as a Service Pilot *w.a.f.*
 and is recommended for the rank of _____

Signature _____
 O.C. Advanced Training Squadron.
 Date _____

Remarks by Commanding Officer

Seen _____
 Date _____
 Signature _____
 Commanding No. _____ Service Flying Training School.
 Date _____

J. A. T. P. AUSTRALIA
 TRAINING CARD—Notes for Guidance

The object of the Training Card System is to provide a complete history of the Pilot, Air Observer or Air Gunner for information of the Unit to which he is reporting.

Three copies are to be prepared for each pupil on his arrival at the Initial Training School.

On completion of the I.T.S. Course, the section relevant to his training there will be completed on all three copies.

One copy is to be given to the pupil, who will take it to his next unit.

The other two copies are to be forwarded by mail.

This ensures immediate information regarding the pupil on his arrival, and the two mailed copies guard against the possibility of loss, destruction or alteration.

The procedure is to be continued from Unit to Unit until the pupil's training has been completed, when the final distribution of Training Cards is to be—

(i) Pupils for Overseas.

The Embarkation Post will be responsible for seeing that—

- (a) One copy is given to the pupil
- (b) One copy is mailed direct to Overseas Command.
- (c) One copy is mailed to R.A.A.F. Records.

(ii) Pupils for Home Service.

Service F.T. Schools (Pilots), Air Navigation Schools (Air Observers) and B. and G. Schools (Air Gunners), will be responsible for seeing that—

- (a) One copy is given to the pupil.
- (b) One copy is mailed direct to Unit.
- (c) One copy is mailed to R.A.A.F. records.

N.B.—A record of the training at each Unit is to be kept by the Unit concerned, showing particulars of every pupil trained therein.

J. A. T. P. AUSTRALIA Form P/T 28
 ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Pilot's Training Card

Official No. 407744 Rank L. A. C. 300

Surname SAMPSON,

Christian Name (if full) Douglas Wills,

Religion Church of England Date of Birth 8.7.15.

Colour of Hair Dark Brown Colour of Eyes Blue.

Height 5 feet 6 1/2 inches.

Next of Kin—name and address Clara Sophie SAYER,

16 Hewitt Avenue

ROSE PARK, S.A.

Relationship Mother.

Name and address of person to be informed in case of casualty Clara Sophie SAYER,

16 Hewitt Avenue,

ROSE PARK, S.A.

Previous Employment Optometrist.

Previous Flying Experience (if any)

At No. 5 Initial T.S. From 5.1.41 to 1.5.41

At No. 9 Elementary E.T.S. From 6.3.41 to 1.5.41

At No. _____ Service F. T. S. From _____ to _____

Disposal of Training Card _____ on _____

No. 5 INITIAL TRAINING SCHOOL

LINK TRAINER (Visual) Total Time _____ Hours.
 INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT, including remarks on keenness, ability and assessment (above average, average, below average, unlikely to become an efficient Pilot)

EXAMINATION RESULTS—INDEX

- 1. AIRMANSHIP (1000) 8. TOTAL MARKS (1000)
- 2. AIRFRAMES (200) 170. PERCENTAGE
- 3. ARMAMENT (100) 7. PERCENTAGE
- 4. ENGINE (100) 100. PERCENTAGE
- 5. THEORY OF FLIGHT (100) 100. PERCENTAGE

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
138	155	150	25	44	38	36	125	85	85	80

Remarks on Ground Training

General Remarks, including remarks on qualities as an Officer/N.C.O.
A lively alert type, conscientious and keen. Possesses plenty of sense and confidence.

Seen Defence
 Date 27/4/41
 Signature K. B. B. 1/2
 O.C. No. 5 Initial Training School.
 Date 27 FEB 1941

Summary of Flying Times for Elementary & Service Flying Training Schools

Stage & Type of Aircraft	Day				Night				Total Day & Night
	Before Solo	After Solo	Before Solo	After Solo	Before Solo	After Solo	Before Solo	After Solo	
Elementary F.T.S.									
1. D.H.F. 2A	8.30	9.50	25.55						34.75
2. Dual		6.00							6.00
Total	8.30	15.50	25.55						40.35
Intermediate (I) Squadron									
1.									
2.									
3.									
Total									
Advanced (II) Squadron									
1.									
2.									
Total									
Total, all stages									
Total									

No. 9 ELEMENTARY FLYING TRAINING SCHOOL

LINK TRAINER (L.F.) Total Time 2.40 hours.

Remarks on ability and progress in Link Trainer

Above average.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

INDEX.

- 1. Airmanship (200)
- 2. Airframes (200)
- 3. Armament—Pass or fail.
- 4. Engines (200)
- 5. Theory of Flight (100)
- 6. Navigation (200)
- 7. Signals—Pass or fail.
- 8. Total Marks (900)
- 9. Percentage
- 10. Position.

* Denotes failure in Subject.

171	186	P	200	84	191	P 4	832	92.4	6/55
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Remarks on Ground Training 20th at I.T.S. and 6th at E.F.T.S.

Flying Ability, including remarks on special qualities or weaknesses
Above average, generally sound, aerobatics and airmanship well developed. Will be a very useful Service pilot. Suitable M/Engine types.

FLYING TIMES—Enter on page 2.

General Remarks, including remarks on qualities as an Officer/N.C.O.
Mature, bright, alert, self-assured, confident, keen.

Seen Defence
 Date 10/4/41
 Signature J. Brearley
 Officer Commanding No. 9 Elementary Flying Training School.

No. _____ SERVICE FLYING TRAINING SCHOOL

INTERMEDIATE TRAINING SQUADRON.

FLYING TIMES—Enter on page 2.

LINK TRAINER (L.F.) Time in Intermediate T.S. _____ Hours.

Ground Training, including remarks on subjects which are specially strong or weak

Flying Ability, including remarks on special qualities or weaknesses

General Remarks, including remarks on qualities as an Officer/N.C.O.

Seen _____
 Date _____
 Signature _____
 Officer Commanding Intermediate Training Squadron.

ADVANCED TRAINING SQUADRON.

INTERMEDIATE EXAMINATION RESULTS.

INDEX.

- 1. Air Navigation (200)
- 2. Airmanship (200)
- 3. Armament, (practical) (100)
- 4. Armament, (prac.) (100)
- 5. Signals, practical (100)
- 6. Total Marks (700)
- 7. Percentage
- 8. Position

* Denotes failure in subject.
 † Denotes failure in Signals, Part 1.

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Result of Re-examination

Examination and Assessment results	Maximum Marks	Marks Obtained	Passing position in Course of Pupils
Intermediate Exams	700		
Advanced Exams	600		
Qualities as an Officer/N.C.O.	750		
Ability as Service Pilot	750		
TOTAL	2800		

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RECORD OF SERVICE—OFFICERS—R.A.F.

NAME IN FULL *SAMPSON, Douglas Willis.* DATE OF BIRTH *8-7-*

Name, relation, and address of next of kin *(Wife) 2066 867 A.C.W.I. J. Sampson* Marital State *M*

Civil trade or profession *Optometrist* Religion *b. ob*
Previous professional or trade experience *Lamborough 2.10.43*

Rank	Date	Branch	Gazette No. and Date	Routine Orders and Date	GRADUATION		ORDERS, DECORATIONS, MEDALS, including mention in despatches	Date
					Date	Authority		
Air Cadet							1939-43 Star	
Pilot Officer	<i>1.9.41</i>	<i>R.D.</i>	<i>193/41</i>	<i>P. 171/41</i>			<i>D.F.C.</i>	<i>17-10-41</i>
Flying Officer	<i>1.3.42</i>		<i>6.18.42</i>	<i>O.H.O. 0.0.42</i>				
Flight Lieutenant	<i>1.9.43</i>		<i>329/44</i>	<i>P. 116/43</i>				
Squadron Leader	<i>1.1.45</i>		<i>27/45</i>	<i>P. 116/43</i>				
Wing Commander								
Group Captain								
Air Commodore								

DETAILS OF NAVAL, MILITARY, OR AIR APPOINTMENTS HELD PRIOR TO R.A.A.F. (including active service)

Unit or Service	PERIOD		Nature of Appointment	Appo
	From	To		
			<i>List NO 85</i> <i>SA2334</i> <i>Date of Termination</i> <i>69 Le Plouh</i> <i>North</i>	<i>F/A</i>

POSTINGS

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION—Special Courses, etc.

Posted to	Date	Authority	Duties	Nature	From		Authority	Result
					To	To		
<i>UK</i>			<i>Pilot</i>	<i>Pilot Gun. Inst Co</i>				<i>Inter</i>
<i>16 Sdn</i>	<i>21.12.41</i>	<i>8/Secn</i>	<i>1/42 Flying</i>	<i>No. 40 (A.C. WAR) course</i>	<i>17/10/41</i>	<i>13/12/42</i>	<i>410 TU S/HR</i>	<i>Pass 66.2</i>
<i>1697 (R) Sdn</i>	<i>26.6.42</i>	<i>1697</i>	<i>442 FLY</i>					
<i>290 Sdn</i>	<i>9.10.44</i>	<i>290 Sdn</i>	<i>442</i>					
<i>295 Sdn</i>	<i>2.11.44</i>	<i>295 Sdn</i>	<i>442</i>					
<i>76 Sdn</i>	<i>18.3.45</i>	<i>76 Sdn</i>	<i>442</i>					
<i>288 "</i>								
<i>650 "</i>	<i>5.2.45</i>	<i>650 Sdn</i>	<i>442</i>					
<i>5PD</i>	<i>16.2.46</i>	<i>DA1470</i>	<i>292</i>	<i>EX O/S</i>				
<i>4RD</i>				<i>T/APPT</i>				
<i>4FD</i>	<i>28.3.46</i>			<i>Q.O/S</i>				

THIS ITEM HAS BEEN DIGITISED IN SECTIONS

Reason	Class	Date	Authority	Remarks	Address
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EXTRACTS FROM FLYING LOG BOOK.

F/LT. D.W. SAMPSON, D.F.C., 407744.

*16 sqdn. Army Co-op U/K.
Lysanders.
16 Sqdn*

16 Sqdn. Army Co-op U/K. First Flight 23.12.41
Lysanders. Last Flight 23. 2.42

DRAFT SER.

10. 1.42 Dawn sortie to St. Eval.
24. 1.42 Dawn sortie Tac/R.
29. 1.42 Tac/R. L.F.A.

strength 670.

U N I T S.

9 E.F.T.S.
2 S.F.T.S. Canada.
41 O.T.U. U/K.
16 Sqdn.

245.

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No.27337.

SAMPSON

Douglas Wills

407744

General Duties

1st September, 1941.

Pilot Officer

Flying Officer

Squadron Leader

Flight Lieutenant

2nd May, 1946.

On demobilisation

Distinguished Flying Cross, 1939-45 Star, Atlantic Star
and Rosette, Defence Medal.

Eligible for Returned from Active Service Badge.

26th July, 1946.

for Group Captain,

Enclosure No.22402B.

GROUP UNIT Corp.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

A.4047/KK

Form 373.

1. Rank. <i>F/Lt. 1st Class</i>	2. Christian Names. <i>DOUGLAS WILLS</i>	3. Surname. <i>SAMPSON.</i>	4. Decorations. <i>M.C. D.F.C.</i>
5. Type and date of commission or engagement, if Airman Pilot. <i>R.A.F. 1st Sept. 1941.</i> Date of expiry <i>9. 2. 1945</i>	7. Date of award of flying badge. <i>1-9-41</i> Date of qualification as service pilot, % marks, and whether failed and re-examined }	8. Types of service aircraft flown. <i>LYSANDER TOIMAHAWK MUSTANG SPITFIRE.</i>	
6. Branch or Trade. <i>G.D.</i>	7a. Qualifications, including any symbols; whether passed Promotion Exam. (with date) and whether passed Staff College Qualifying Exam.	9. Type on which most proficient. (If under instruction state total number of hours flown on each type and tests passed). <i>MUSTANG</i>	
10. Date of birth. <i>8. 7. 1915.</i>	12. If married: Date. <i>24 July 1943.</i>	15. *Date of last vaccination.	16. *Date of last inoculation. 1. T.A.B. 2. Cholera. 3. Plague.
11. Religion. <i>C of E.</i>	14. Date and place of last medical Exam. <i>HARTFORD BRIDGE</i>	15. *Date of last vaccination.	16. *Date of last inoculation.
13. Medical classfn. <i>A1B.</i>	14. Date and place of last medical Exam.	15. *Date of last vaccination.	16. *Date of last inoculation.

9, 13-19 and 21 to be kept in pencil.

* To be inserted in unit copy only.

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SAMPSON D.W.

17. Permanent Address <i>Home address. 69. Lefevre Terrace North Adelaide South Australia</i>	18. Next of kin. Relationship and address. <i>moth. Mrs. Sophie Sayer 69. Le. Lefevre Terrace North Adelaide South Australia</i>	19. Name and address of person to be notified in case of casualty. <i>Instead of the Next of kin * In addition to</i>
*Delete as necessary. <i>"Kilmore" WIFE, JEANNE. B. SAMPSON. Chalchew Rd. Fleet TEL HQ MARCHANT FLEET 291</i>		

20. Periods in hospital, or sick quarters, or sick at home. <i>SS 9. 7. 6-44 admitted " 9-6-44 discharged</i>	21. Whether completed Annual Musketry Course and Annual Gunnery and Signalling Training; If not, what tests still require to be passed.
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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

1. Rank <i>P/O</i> 407744		2. Christian Names DOUGLAS WILLS		3. Surname SAMPSON		4. Decorations	
5. Type and date of commission or engagement, if Airman Pilot DURATION & 12 MONTHS. Date of expiry		7. Qualifications, including Flying Instructors' grading whether allotted symbols, whether passed Promotion Exam. (with date) and whether passed Staff College Qualifying Exam.		8. Types of service aircraft flown TIGER MOTH HARVARD			
6. Branch or Trade AIRCRAF Pilot		10. Date of Birth 8/7/15		14. If married: Date		9. Type on which most proficient. (If under instruction state total number of hours flown on each type and tests passed) <i>Tiger Moth</i> <i>Harvard</i>	
11. Religion C. of E.		13. Medical class'n. A1B - A3B		16. Date and place of last Medical Exam, 29-5-41 #2 S.F.T.S. Uplands GWT.		15. Date of last vaccination 7-1-41	
13. Medical class'n.		16. Date and place of last Medical Exam,		15. Date of last vaccination		16. *Date of last inoculation 1. T.A.B. 14-1-41 2. Cholera 3. Plague	
9 and 13-19 to be kept in pencil				*To be inserted in unit copy only			
17. Permanent Address <i>16 Hewitt Avenue</i> <i>Rose Park.</i> <i>S. A.</i>		18. Next of kin. Relationship and address <i>Clara Sophie Meyer-</i> <i>16 Hewitt Avenue</i> <i>Rose Park - S. A.</i> <i>(Mother)</i>		19. Name and address of person to be notified in case of casualty * Instead of _____ the next of kin In addition to <i>Mother</i> *Delete as necessary			
20. Periods in hospital, or sick quarters, or sick at home				21. Christian names of wife, and Christian names and dates of birth of dependent children			

FOR INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPILATION OF THIS FORM SEE A.M.O. A984/42 AS
 AMENDED BY A.M.Os. A1086/42, A450/43, A1151/43 AND A338/44.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

24 AUG 1945

Confidential Report (Officers).

Surname (in capitals) SAMPSON. Personal No. A.407744.
 Christian names (in full) Douglas Wills. Age 30.
 Rank Squadron Leader. Acting rank (if any) -----

A. DETAILS OF OFFICER.

1. Type of commission R.A.A.F.
2. Branch of service G.D. (pilot)
3. Duties on which employed Squadron Commander.
4. (i) Unit 288 Squadron. (ii) Date of joining 2/4/45.
5. Occasion for report Annual.
6. Period of report. From 2/8/44. To 1/8/45.
7. Married or single Married.
8. Next-of-kin (relationship and address) (Wife) Mrs. Sampson.
"Kilmore" Aldershot Road, Fleet.
9. Total number of hours flown as { pilot 985
 a member of an air crew other than pilot -
 of which 80 { hours have been flown during last six months.
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B. REPORTING OFFICER'S OPINION. (See Instruction 4 of Appendix II, A.M.O. A984/42 (as amended).)

10. (i) General conduct (satisfactory or unsatisfactory) satisfactory
 (ii) Of temperate habit (yes or no) yes.
11. Assessments (see Instruction 2 of Appendix II, A.M.O. A984/42 (as amended).)
 - (i) Zeal and energy in performance of duties 7
 - (ii) Personality, force of character, and leadership 6
 - (iii) Reliability and judgment 5- **36**
 - (iv) Initiative 6
 - (v) Ability on present duties 7.
 - (vi) General standard of professional ability 5.

C. REMARKS.

12. Special remarks (if any : see Instruction 3 of Appendix II, to A.M.O. A984/42 (as amended)) :—

*Alert & keen in bearing & manner
Smart in appearance.*

13. General remarks of C.O. or other immediate superior officer :—

*Since promotion to Sqn/Ldr & an appointment to
his own command has developed a great deal.
Has shown a marked improvement in most respects since
promotion & evidently likes & responds to responsibility.
A promising officer.*

Date *10 July 1945.*

H. B. Russell A/Cdr
Signature and rank of reporting officer.

Signature to be reproduced in block capitals

H. B. RUSSELL.

14. Remarks (if any) of next senior officer :—

Concur

Date *Aug 9th 1945*

G. H. Amble R.V.M.
Signature and rank.

Signature to be reproduced in block capitals

G. H. AMBLER

For use in Air Ministry.

Examined

Noted *LB*

COPY OF CITATION OF AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.

Flight Lieutenant Douglas Wills SAMPSON (Aus.407744) No.16 Squadron.

This officer has completed many successful high and low level photographic sorties over France, Holland, Belgium and Germany. On a number of occasions he has been intercepted by fighters and has experienced anti-aircraft fire while over the target. This officer's determination to press on to the target against stiff opposition has always been worthy of the highest praise and has set a fine example to the squadron.

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ENCLOSURE 3A

17th October, 1944.

Flight Lieutenant D. W. Sampson, D.F.C.,
(Aus. 407744),
R.A.F. Station,
Northolt,
Middx.

Dear

I have just received the good news from Air
Ministry that you have been awarded the Distinguished
Flying Cross.

2. Please accept my heartiest congratulations
on this award.

3. With this note I am forwarding a small piece
of D.F.C. ribbon in case you are unable to obtain this
locally.

Kindest personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) H. N. Wrigley.

Air Vice Marshal,
Air Officer Commanding.

Encl.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

HONOURS AND AWARDS

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

FLIGHT LIEUTENANT DOUGLAS WILLS SAMPSON
(407744)

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PRIVATE ADDRESS: FARNBOROUGH, England.